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SUBJ: VOTING LISTS INVALIDATED

1. SUMMARY: CITING EVIDENCE OF ELECTORAL FRAUD, GOC HAS
INVALIDATED VOTING LISTS ANDSUSPENDED VOTER REGISTRATION.

END SUMMARY.

2. DECREE LAW 130 PUBLISHED DIARIO OFFICIAL NOV 19 INVALIDATES
VOTING LISTS ANDSUSPENDS NEW VOTER REGISTRATION, WHILE STUDIES
ARE CARRIED OUT TO GUARANTEE THAT FUTURE ELECTIONS ARE FREE OF
FRAUD. DECREE NOTES THAT PRIOR STUDIES BY UNIVERSITY AND GOVT
ENTITIES "HAVE PROVEN SERIOUS AND EXTENSIVE ELECTORAL FRAUD"
AND THAT SUCH EVIDENCE MAKES INDISPENSABLE FURTHER STUDIES DE-
SIGNED TO DEVISE ELECTORAL SYSTEM IN WHICH FRAUD WILL BE
ELIMINATED.

3. DECREE DECLARES CURRENT VOTING LISTS OUT OF DATE AND AUTHORITIES
ELECTORAL REGISTRY TO DECOMMISSION (INUTILIZAR) THEM AS IT
DEEMS APPROPRIATE. DECREE ALSO SUSPENDS VOTER REGISTRATION.

4. COMMENT: CHARGES OF ELECTORAL FRAUD, PUBLICLY VOICED
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IN MID-JULY BY CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY STUDY GROUP, WERE SUBJECT OF

SPECIAL CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES INVESTIGATION UP TO TIME OF
SEPT COUP. THEY HAVE BEEN RECENTLY REVIVED AS PART OF
DEFENSES (BOTH CHILEAN AND FOREIGN) OF NEW GOVT. (SOME
CLAIMS HAVE PLACED NUMBER OF MARCH CONGRESSIONAL ELECTION FRAUDULENT
VOTES AT OVER 200,000) CHARGES OF MASSIVE FRAUD WERE NEVER PROVEN,
THOUGH BOTH CU GROUP AND CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES DEVELOPED APPARENTLY
ACCURATE EVIDENCE OF SOME SMALLER-SCALE CHICANERY. SOURCES
IN PDC, ELECTORAL REGISTRY AND CHAMBER STUDY GROUP EXPRESSED
DOUBT TO EMBOFFS PRIOR TO SEPT 11 THAT FRAUD AS WIDESPREAD AS
RESEARCHERS AND OTHERS EQUALLY CLOSE TO PROBLEM
CONTENDED.
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